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FOUR THOUSAND KILLED IN AN EARTHQUAKE

Steamer Brings News of a Horrible Disaster Which Befell Hsing Kiang, the Capital of the Greatest Province in Central Asia.

Vast Number of Houses in the City and in the Valleys at the Base of the Great Volcanoes are Destroyed and in Addition to the Thousands Killed, Many are Left Homeless and Starving—Dowager Empress Instructs Governors to Exert Every Effort to Relieve the Suffering.

Victoria, B. C., June 4.—The steamer, Shawmut, brings news of the killing of 4,000 persons by an earthquake at Hsing Kiang, China. A telegram was received from Peking before the Shawmut sailed and reported that 4,000 persons were crushed to death, a vast number of houses destroyed and many persons left starving. The Empress Dowager

telegraphed instructions to local governors to relieve the distress. Hsing Kiang is the capital of the Chinese province of the same name, which lies north of Tibet, and comprises nearly the whole of Central Asia. All about the city are tremendous volcanic mountains and in the valleys, which are fertile, dwell millions of Chinese.

JAPANESE AGAIN GET ON THE ANXIOUS SEAT

San Francisco Riots in Which Japanese Bath Houses and Restaurants were Attacked, Causes Uneasiness—Washington at a Loss to Understand the Situation in Japan.

Tokio, June 4.—Leading persons in and out of politics seem to have a feeling of apprehension regarding Japan's future relations with the United States. Actual hostility, however, is not thought of, but the position in which the federal government is placed, in regard to state autonomy and the defiant attitude of the latter interests against Japan's treaty rights, as manifested in the second Francisco incident, makes politicians here uneasy.

Washington, June 4.—The statement from Tokio to the effect that uneasiness exists there on the part of the Japanese officials over the attitude in American relation to the San Francisco troubles, caused some concern in official circles here yesterday and there were expressions of surprise from those who believed they had seen in the whole so-called exchange of felicitations incident to General Kuroki's visit to Washington and Jamestown, a manifestation of the best feeling between America and Japan.

What has caused the reported change of feeling at Tokio is a puzzle to official Washington, because it cannot be learned that there has been any recent exchanges between the two governments relative to the

treatment of the Japanese in San Francisco.

The attacks upon Japanese restaurants and bath houses are still under investigation by the national government in California and when that incident as well as the state authority is concluded doubtless the Japanese government will be informed of the result, and if necessary a proper expression of regret will be made. As it stands, the state department is on record as having informed the Japanese government of all the facts it has been able to secure, all tending to show that the last trouble in San Francisco was merely an incident to the great strike, with its accompanying riots.

San Francisco, June 4.—United States Attorney Delvin Saturday and today took the depositions of several eye-witnesses relative to the attack on a Japanese bath house and restaurant on Polson street, which has been the subject of international inquiry and diplomatic correspondence between Washington and Tokio. He later will send the result of his work to Washington.

The Japanese government is insisting that a full investigation be made, and will learn from Washington, as the result of Attorney Delvin's work whether United States-Japanese amity has been disturbed.

MADRID ALARMED

Anarchists Make Dire Threats Against Spain's King and Queen.

Madrid, June 4.—Threats of reprisals, made by anarchists, unless Ferrer, Miquel and other alleged accomplices of Merral in an attempt to assassinate King Alfonso and Queen Victoria on their wedding day are acquitted at their trials which began yesterday, have greatly alarmed the city. The city awoke, today, to find huge placards posted at many places, warning the government against further bomb outrages, if the alleged conspirators are condemned.

THREE MEN DROWN IN SILVER LAKE

Cement City, Mich., June 4.—Nell Ferris, Wash Griffith, and Bryan Beecher were drowned while fishing in Silver Lake last night. The bodies of Griffith and Beecher have been recovered.

ANOTHER AMERICAN ACTRESS WEDDED

London, June 4.—Edna May, the American actress and Oscar Lewisohn were married, this morning, at Windsor registry office. The ceremony was performed very quietly.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewisohn expect to spend their honeymoon touring Europe in an automobile.

NAT GOODWIN WILL QUIT THE STAGE

New York, June 4.—Nat Goodwin confirms the recent report that he is to quit the stage and begin life anew in a western mining camp. He says he has bought some properties in Nevada and will spend the rest of his days out there.

"I am quitting the stage," says the actor, "because acting interferes with my evenings. Besides I want to live among real men and real things."

"I've met men in Nevada, men that are men. And I prefer the desert and its men to London and its fops. And that's straight from the chest. London is an excellent referee for the game of play acting; that's why I act there. But let me live in my own country, and away from artifice and artistry and all the other big names for little things."

FRENCH PREMIER TAKEN SUDDENLY ILL

Paris, June 4.—Premier Clemenceau was taken suddenly ill, this afternoon while attending a meeting of the council of ministers and had to be carried to his home. No statement was issued whether or not the attack is serious.

SMALLPOX AT TOLEDO

St. Vincent Hospital is Quarantined with Seventeen Cases.

Toledo, O., June 4.—St. Vincent's hospital, with 195 patients, nurses, and attendants, was placed under quarantine by the health officer today. Three nurses and engineers are down with smallpox. During the seventeen days of quarantine, no patient will be admitted to or discharged from the institution. Those down with smallpox have been removed to the contagious disease hospital.

LYNCHING THREATENED

Girl's Assaultants May be Taken From the Court Room and Hanged.

Marlinton, W. Va., June 4.—Charged with a crime that shocked the state of West Virginia, Warwick Ratcliff and Albert Gay, today were placed on trial on a charge of assaulting Miss Ona Hird, aged 16.

The girl, accompanied by her fiancé, Arnold Gladwell, aged 17, was eloping across the mountains into Virginia to be married, when the crime occurred. She has for a long time been at death's door. The crime is unusual and feeling is still so high, that it is feared a lynching may take place even in the court room.

ARMED CONFEDERATES MARCH THROUGH CAPITAL

Washington, June 4.—Armed confederate soldiers, today, for the first time in history, marched on the streets of the Nation's capital. They had the permission, which was denied them forty years ago. They were members of four companies of Southern veterans, returning from the reunion at Richmond. Garbed in gray, many carried the same old muskets and sabres that they used in the sixties.

UNCLE SAM MAY TAKE HAND IN CHINESE RIOTS

Strong Fleet of Fighting Crafts is Ready to Crush the Rebels Should the Occasion Demand Interference Upon the Part of the United States.

President Roosevelt, Secretary Metcalf and Rear Admiral Bronson Held a Conference, Yesterday to Discuss the Situation—Missionaries are Becoming Greatly Alarmed and are Fleeing, Fearing an Attack by the Rebels Who are Daily Becoming More Numerous.

Washington, June 4.—The Chinese situation was considered sufficiently serious for a special conference on naval preparations to meet any emergency. The president, Secretary Metcalf and Rear Admiral Bronson participated.

As usual in such cases it developed that the navy department had been forehanded enough to recently send the ships of the Asiatic station where they could be the most good. A mail report received at the navy department from Rear Admiral Dayton, commander-in-chief of the Asiatic fleet, dated May 1 last, from Manila states that he has ordered all of the principal ships of war to gather early in June at Chefoo, which will be made a base while the fleet is performing the regular annual maneuvers and drills and engaging in target practice.

Incidentally the tale of the strength that can now be mustered by the American navy challenges a striking comparison with the days of 1898. If the newly authorized and organized standing army of China stands, instead of running away, their uprising will be caught between two mill stones, and speedily ground fine.

The second division of the first American squadron is stronger than was Dewey's fleet and a third squadron is almost as strong. The two musters six protected cruisers and six gunboats. Back of them floats the powerful armored cruiser squadron of four new ships and torpedo and gunboats are in reserve in the Philippines, with seven more protected cruisers and gunboats on the California coast.

The force on the spot can drive any rebellion back from the Chinese coast, if it becomes necessary. The insurrection is on the coast, in the

province of Kwang-Tung near Canton. Directly behind this province are the two provinces of Hunan and Hupeh, where a colleague of Yuan Shi Kai, the military reformer, has some 60,000 modern troops, who ought to give the rebels a warm reception.

The four armored cruisers West Virginia, Colorado, Maryland and Pennsylvania, under Rear Admiral James H. Day, are about to proceed from Kobe and Yokohama to the Gulf of Pechili for target practice.

With their speed they can come south whenever and as fast as they are needed. At Chinese ports are the following ships: protected cruisers, Chattanooga, Galveston, at Shanghai; Cincinnati at Hongkong; Raleigh at Chefoo, and Cleveland and Denver at Gibraltar. En route gunboats Concord at Ningbo, Helena at Amoy, Wilmington at Shanghai, Callao at Canton, Villahermosa at the Yang Tze river and Rainbow, armed supply ship at Hongkong.

Advises received here from Shanghai say that the disorders in southern China continue to grow more threatening. The condition at Chang Chow, of which Amoy is the port, and at Shikhe, are unsatisfactory. Many refugees continue to arrive there, and numbers of missionaries of all denominations have reached Swatow. Quiet is maintained there, though there is great anxiety as to the outcome of the revolt in the surrounding country. The rebel leader allows no looting and no foreigners have been molested, so far as known. There is a small American mission at Chang-Chow.

CARPERS BECOMES REVENUE COMMISSIONER

Washington, June 4.—President Roosevelt, this afternoon appointed John C. Carpers, of South Carolina to be commissioner of internal revenue. Carpers will hold the position until December 1, when Pearl Wight of New Orleans will take charge.

SAYS CHIEF TAMPERED WITH THE TALESMAN

San Francisco, Cal., June 4.—The grand jury has entered formal complaint against Chief of Police Dignan, charging that he subverted the law in attempting to secure the acquittal of Mayor Schmitz, by tampering with the talesmen drawn for Schmitz's trial.

FURNACE WORKERS WILL GO OUT JULY FIRST

Youngstown, O., June 4.—President McMahon, of the union, says the blast furnace workers will go out July 1, unless the eight hour day is granted. He says the union men have been fired in a number of cases since the demands were made.

HAYWOOD TRIAL ON IN EARNEST

Severe Arraignment of the Accuse by District Attorney Hawley—Attack was so Vitriolic That the Court Ruled That He Must State Only That Which He Could Prove.

Boise, Idaho, June 4.—The actual trial of William D. Haywood was begun this morning, when District Attorney Hawley opened for the state in a vitriolic address, charging Haywood, Moyer and Simpkins with the murder of Ex-Governor Frank Steunenberg. Hawley declared they were guilty of wholesale crimes in the Middle West, that all outrages in Idaho, Colorado and Wyoming since 1899 were due to leading spirits of the Western Federation.

The court room was well filled. Hawley's attack grew more bitter and Attorney Darrow finally demanded that Hawley confine his charges to what he could prove and a hot struggle followed. The court finally ruled that Hawley must limit his statement.

UP GO PRICES

Beef Will Take a Decided Jump Before the Present Week is Ended.

Chicago, June 4.—The price of beef will be advanced from 1-2 to 3 cents a pound in Chicago Wednesday or within a short time thereafter, commission men predict.

The packers are said to have completed an arrangement for a general advance, and by Wednesday, it is declared the advance in the price will have reached the consumer through the retailer. A member of the firm of Iwain Bros., one of the largest retail concerns in Chicago, today, said:

"The supply is short. The farmers are on a strike and won't send in the cattle. The shippers are sore on the post-mortem idea because sometimes half of a lot may be condemned, and at \$50 a cow that is a heavy loss. The prices will go up from 50 to 75 cents per 100 pounds about Wednesday."

DISORDERS IN LODZ

Bomb Throwing Attracts the Police Who Fire Into the Crowd.

Lodz, Russian Poland, June 4.—Two detectives were killed and two soldiers and three other persons were wounded here, today, by a bomb thrown in the street at police officials, by terrorists. A patrol of infantry, attracted by the explosion, appeared on the scene afterwards and opened fire on the crowd, wounding thirteen persons. Thirty arrests were made.

OLD SOLDIER OF KENTON COMMIT'S SUICIDE

Kenton, O., June 4.—James Kanel, eighty-three years of age, a veteran of the civil war, fearing that he was becoming a care to his relatives, committed suicide by hanging himself in a livery stable. He entered the barn while the employees were at work, passing into the office unnoticed and cutting a rope from a couch in the room used it as a means of self-destruction.



—Naughton in Duluth Herald.